

## General Assembly

## Raised Bill No. 6420

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LCO No. 3264



Referred to Committee on PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

Introduced by: (PD)

## AN ACT CONCERNING THE PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION FOR CERTAIN MUNICIPAL VOLUNTEERS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 Section 1. Section 12-81w of the general statutes is repealed and the
- 2 following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2021, and
- 3 applicable to assessment years commencing on or after October 1, 2021):
- 4 The legislative body of any municipality may establish, by ordinance,
- 5 a program to provide property tax relief for a nonsalaried local
- 6 emergency management director, any individual who volunteers his or
- 7 her services as a firefighter, fire police officer, as defined in subsection
- 8 (a) of section 7-308, emergency medical technician, paramedic, civil
- 9 preparedness staff, active member of a volunteer canine search and
- 10 rescue team, as defined in section 5-249, active member of a volunteer
- 11 underwater search and rescue team, or ambulance driver in the
- municipality, or any individual who is a retired volunteer firefighter,
- 13 fire police officer or emergency medical technician and has completed
- 14 at least twenty-five years of service as a volunteer firefighter, fire police

15 officer or emergency medical technician in the municipality. Such tax 16 relief may provide either (1) (A) [for the period commencing] beginning 17 July 1, 2019, and ending [June 30] September 30, 2021, an abatement of up to one thousand five hundred dollars in property taxes due for any 18 19 fiscal year, and (B) [on and after July 1] beginning October 1, 2021, an 20 abatement of up to two thousand dollars in property taxes due for any 21 fiscal year, or (2) an exemption applicable to the assessed value of real 22 or personal property up to an amount equal to the quotient of [one] two 23 million dollars divided by the mill rate, in effect at the time of 24 assessment, expressed as a whole number of dollars per one thousand 25 dollars of assessed value. Any ordinance may authorize interlocal 26 agreements for the purpose of providing property tax relief to such 27 volunteers who live in one municipality but volunteer or volunteered 28 their services in another municipality.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Sections.		
Section 1	October 1, 2021, and applicable to assessment years commencing on or after October 1, 2021	12-81w

**PD** Joint Favorable